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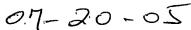
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of March 23, 2005, please amend this application as follows:

The Amendment to the Specification is on page 2.

The claims are amended on pages 3 to 4.

The Remarks begin on page 5.